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Part 1: Missionaries

The Irene Forsythe Hanson Papers, 1921-1980

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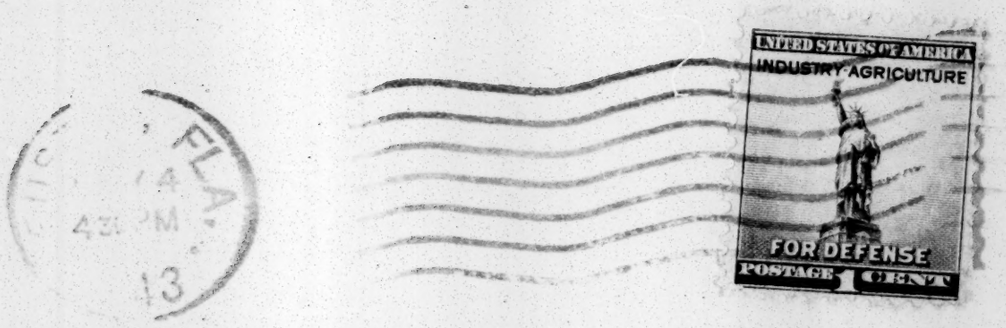
Mrs. Walter Rush : 505 Washington Avenue : Eustis, Florida

Dearest Friend: So glad to hear from you and to learn Miss Forsythe is truly coming to Eustis May 25th we will meet her at the "bus station" (it is the Palm Drug store) and will see she gets to Orlando- The pleasure was ours having you both with us and every one did enjoy your talks. Had lovely rain & nice party for the D.A.R. was a success. Thanks again & best of wishes. Jennie S. Rush



POST CARD

Mrs. Mary Grieneisen,
Hiersdale,
Florida.

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JOHN OLIVER NELSON, PH. D., DIRECTOR

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

January 14, 1943

Mr. Paul Fan
4719 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Paul Fan:

The account of your educational progress is mighty interesting, and I thank you for your extra care in sending it special delivery. I don't know what can have happened to the previous letter you wrote, of which we have no record here.

From what you say, I judge it is finances which have prevented you from going on to seminary this year. Your letter does not make quite clear whether you actually received your degree from Wheaton, but I assume that you did. Thus, I conclude that, except for expenses, you are completely ready for seminary.

Because we have some special funds on which we can draw for your expenses in seminary, I can assure you that we are ready to give you considerable help as you continue your studies. Would it be possible for you to enroll in Princeton Seminary for this next semester? Several other men are beginning their work in Princeton this month, and if your earnings have almost covered your school expenses, we shall be very glad to consider your needs to the extent of $200.00 for the seminary year. This, with other arrangements at Princeton, should enable you to go forward with your training at any time. I enclose an application blank for your use now or eventually.

Drop me a card or note expressing your reaction to this plan: I want to be helpful to you in any way possible. Accept my wishes of Godspeed.

Yours sincerely,

John Oliver Nelson
Director

JON-W

18 Route Winling
Shanghai, China

GIVE Them To Eat

It was a small request I made - just a few seeds for my little garden, and you showered me with seeds, showing my plan and request was not as big as God's was. He wanted hungry Chinese far and wide to have more food, too. You have sent seeds, like manna from heaven, to help China feed herself. You have stretched my vision of what could be done.

In the first place, we again got the waste land where our former homes had stood converted again into food-producing land. The Japanese had allowed it to grow wild and had turned a part of it into a rifle range. Again it is covered with sprouting vegetables, promising food for the hungry. We have started a producer cooperative plan whereby the Chinese gardeners give the labor and the fertilizer and we provide the seeds and the land. They will sell these lovely foreign vegetables to us, and then out on the open market. Thus, they will be able to buy rice for themselves. Little children who cannot go to school because they must help earn the family living are having a happy time there pulling weeds.

A big supply of the seeds went to Nanking University, which, in pre-war days, used to supply all of us with foreign seeds. They have had none since the war. You have given them a new start. This is what Dr. Bates wrote me, "Your generous gift of seeds is much appreciated. Many are already in the ground, serving the interests of two institutions and a few individual families. They are a real boost. Most hearty thanks to the American friends."

An American pilot flew them up to Chinan University, an institution which is cut off from the rest of us by the Communists and by broken-down railway lines, but, to which brave missionaries have gone. One doctor staying with me now is about to fly there. It is going to mean something to them to have home-grown vegetables to eat. Then I sent some to Ningpo where Mrs. Smith will again start her producers cooperative.

A Chinese friend called me up the other day, saying she wished I could see her garden all full of vegetables coming up. She and her family had returned from years of wandering away from the Japanese to find a shell of a house and nothing but ruins of her once beautiful garden in which the Japanese had built two air raid shelters. You did that for her.

I wish I could write to each of you who have sent me seeds. My heart is full of loving, happy memories of you as I untie the packages. But I am running what I call "God's Presbyterian Billeting Quarters." At present I have eighteen staying with me and taking their meals here. This, in addition to trying to keep open house for our service men, makes me too busy to do the things I want to do; but I cannot but be glad that missionaries are returning to the field in such numbers. Some of them are having to go home after internment, but Mr. Millican is able to stay; so again I am glad. There is no place for these people to stay- no missionary home and "no room in the inn." So, will you kindly send a copy of this little word of thanks to those who sent seeds to us?

I pray for you and for the day when our world will be full of people like you who will try to answer the Lord's prayer, "Give us this day our daily bread," meaning the whole world family.

Lovingly,
Aimee B. Millican (Mrs. F.R.)

P.S. May 7. More seeds came yesterday. The customs people are charging very little since it is for relief. I have sent more to Nanking University and more to Ningpo. We shall keep the rest for fall planting here.

I want before long to write to you about the way men of our armed forces are sent to us and find here what they are looking for. There seems to be no time to stop and reflect a bit.

Edith has not reached us yet though she started a month ago. She is held up in Hongkong trying to get transportation.

Dr daughter

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		$ 1000.00

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The above amounts are sent to the Boards by the Presbyterial Treasurer with the money sent her on your pledged apportionment.

In addition to your pledged apportionment each Society should send to the Presbyterial Treasurer its Contingent fund (based on 20 cents per member), $2.00 Emergency fund ($1.00 for each board), and $1.00 quadrennial fund.

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Auburndale	56	60
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Lakeland		44
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St Cloud	13	20
St. Pet.	110	121
Tarpon Springs	20	18
Winter Haven	202	185
Lake Harbor	25	
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Weirsdale, Florida
May 10th, 1943

To the Presidents and Secretaries,
North Florida Presbyterial

Dear Friends,

In accordance with the request of the Committee on Findings, I am sending you in addition to their report, the goals which I suggested for 1943--44. I hope that you as officers will re-read these goals from time to time, and keep them before the ladies of your societies in the course of the year.

General Goals: To advance the mission of the church,
Deepening of the spiritual life,
Training for leadership.

Specific Goals: Every Intermediate and Young People's group in North Florida to stake a claim and make a study of the field in which the claim has been staked.

The organization of more Reading Circles and Study Groups.

Holding a Church Worker's Conference in the Fall or Winter of this church year.

Working with our Pastor's in an endeavor to get religious education into the public schools.

Sharing the responsibility of war-created needs: through cordial relationships with service men from our churches, and giving to the War-Time Service Fund.

I hope that each church will plan to make the most of Dr. Walter Howell's visit to our Presbytery this month; and that you are all thinking of and praying for the Young People's Summer Conference to be held again at Lake Alfred, June 18-25.

With every good wish, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mary Greenlaw

President, North Florida Presbyterial

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August 5, 1943

My dear aunt Irene:

Thank you so much for the post card. Well, where should I start to write now since there so many things in my mind. Aunt, it was so very nice of you to come specially to our wedding. Thank you so much for the large sum of money that game to us. Afterward, my heart felt so bad because I know you have no money either. However, the above fact makes me appreciate you kindness much much more. Aunt, from now please don't let my schooling

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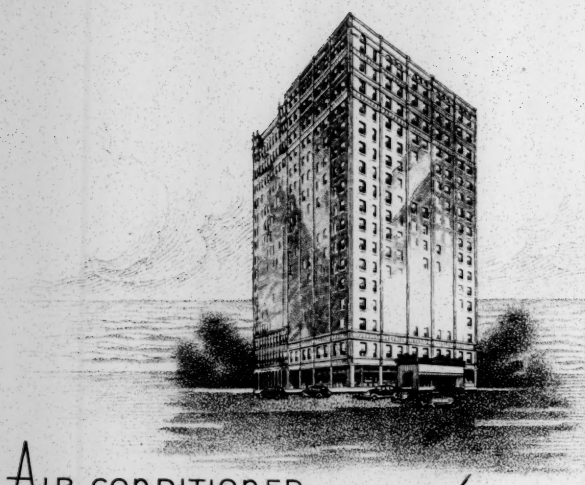
be any further financial burdens ^ to you. You have done so much for me already. ~~But~~ Please pray for me, so the Lord will supply all our need according His riches in glory.

I was so happy to see you for couple of days. But too bad you can't stay in Chicago just a little but longer. After I came back from Iowa I have had such a great longing to see you, I have been feeling so lonesome for you. Well, I better control all my emotional feelings.

We ~~al~~ only stayed in Iowa for one night; I spent the second night on the train back. Univ. of Iowa's chem. Dept. wanted Joyce's transcripts ~~all~~ in as soon as possible, and that's the reason why we had



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to get back in such a fury.
They offer Joyce $450 a year (9 months) plus
tuition. She has to work 12 hrs a
week, the same amount of work as
in Chicago. Boy, it pays to be a good
student now a days. Iowa's campus
is built along both banks of Iowa
River, & the ~~surround~~ sceneries are
very ~~beautiful~~. Iowa's campus is larger
than Chicago, more buildings too perhaps.
School will start on Sept. 1st. Joyce
are working every day now, so she
can get off here earlier. Effie found
a smaller apartment in Iowa, $30
rent a month. There are so many
army men in the Unit, so then

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is such a shortage of houses. Food down there are quite expensive also. I might go there a week earlier to fix the apartment up a little.

We spent last week end in Lani's home; I came back to our new apartment Monday morning. We have done so much cleaning around the house. Last night we unpack all our things. Now, all of them are hinging at the torch under the sun. We have been doing our own cooking. Either one of us know how to cook before, but we are experimenting, I doing "research" on cooking. Now we only have to spend half the amount of money for food as we used too. It is so much cheaper.

My dear Aunt Irene: it is so nice to have this little visit with you. We wish it could be longer. We have lots of fun learning how to cook. Wish you were here to sample our meals. Paul is very domestic, and he keeps the apartment very clean. We have no mattress, and have been sleeping on the floor so far. It is not so bad, and rather resembles those beds back home. Lots of love to You. Love Paul Joyce

Aug 24, 1943.

Dear Aunt Irene,

Thanks for your letter of Aug 20. I am so glad to hear that you may be assigned to the mid western section, so that we can see each other often. We had been quite busy, and I have been working every day. We plan to leave here Friday or Saturday. As yet we haven't packed yet; to-day I'm trying to get letters written. Please excuse me if I can't write long

this time, because
I have so many to
write. Enclose are
some snaps of the wedding.
I'll send you more
when I get some more,
and the official pictures
will reach you later
also, because the
photographer has just
come back from his
vacation. We bought
an iron (small one)
few weeks ago, & it works
well, but cost over
$8 dollars! Love to
you.

Joyce

Nov 1, 1943.

My dear Aunt Irene,

I'm so glad to hear that you are coming to Iowa this month. We will be so happy to see you again. Can you possibly come before Friday the 19th so that you can stay with us a few more days? We do hope you can. We will have lots of fun visiting, cooking Chinese meal etc etc. Please do come as soon as you can, & you can have a good rest here. It's after midnight now, so I'll close with much love, Joyce

REPLY TO THE DREW PEARSON COMMENTS

Dr. Frank Price, a Professor of Nanking University in the Department of Agricultural Missions, went to "Free China" in 1940. He has been in the United States on a mission for the Chinese Government. He has just returned to China, taking eight men back to act as liason between United States and Chinese officers.

Dr. Price makes the following reply about the gossipy statement of Drew Pearson on July 10, 1944, regarding Generalissimo and Madame Chiang:

"The scurrilous reports circulated about the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang have distressed and angered us and Chinese friends over here. I cannot find any reputable Chinese leader close to the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang who believe they are true. Madame Chiang is ill, and was ordered out of China for complete rest. The Generalissimo gave a farewell party for her just before she left, to which Chinese and Westerners were invited.

"The Generalissimo's adopted son, Capt. Chiang Wei-kuo, had a Japanese mother. The Generalissimo's first wife was divorced before 1927. She was killed in an air raid in 1940. Chiang Wei-kuo, magistrate at Kanhsien, was the Generalissimo's own son by her. The Generalissimo put away his former two concubines before long, but was keen with them money. The fiancee of Chiang Wei-kuo visited in the Generalissimo's home while Madame Chiang was in the United States before. This may have started rumors and gossip.

"There has been some unhappiness because of T.V. Soong and other problems, but H.H. Kung said to me the other day that talk of separation is fantastic imagination, as is the story of 'the Generalissimo's new concubine.' Even if there were actual basis for the stories, it is discourteous and indecent of American commentators to circulate them at this time and create ill will between us and our ally, China. When I return to China in the near future I hope to write an article which can be circulated here.

"At the same time we must not present the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang as perfect Christians, or pitch the destiny of the Christian Church in China to them. That would be dangerous for them and for the Church. They are human and the war has been a terrific strain."

In July Chiang Kai Shek had called 12 of 50 Christian leaders together & denied rumors,

Patrick Hurley returned to Washington Nov 24 & resigned Dec 11 1945

[illegible] Shek is going home in Nov never to return to China

It. Kung called it instigated for naval London Daily Mail had said it. glad he's taken the cudgel publicly Cancer operation 50-50 chance to live.

First Presbyterian Church
MOORE G. BELL, MINISTER
Schaller, Iowa
PHONE 193

March 25, 1944.

Miss F. Irene Forsythe,
Room 1312
77 West Washington Street,
Chicago 2, Illinois.

Dear Irene:

SURPRISE! Or you probably know by now. You are "our" missionary, according to a letter of March 21, from Ruth Elliott. And are we happy! She gave us the choice of three, and the church voted much in favor of following you in work. And now she answers that it is all settled for this year and next, and we have already sent the $250 for 1943-44.

It is a source of great personal joy, to us, too. We should write to our friends, just for friendship sake. But often we miss following them around. But we shall have this way of knowing where you are and what you do. We should have loved to see you when you were in nearby Sac City. Glad you came. Must close now, with so many things to do at this season. May you have an Easter victorious and full of His Grace.

Yours. Moore G. Bell

P.S. The Chinese friend is working through the American Board (Boston) to send funds to his family - 20 cents=$1.5

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DIVISION OF SPECIAL GIFTS AND ANNUITIES
MISS RUTH ELLIOTT, DIRECTOR
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ACTING DIRECTOR

March 28, 1944

Miss F. Irene Forsythe
77 West Washington St., Room 1312,
Chicago 2, Illinois.

My dear Miss Forsythe:

We have recently had word from Rev. Moore G. Bell, pastor of the First Church of Schaller, Iowa. You are to be congratulated that this church wants to support you while you are still at home, with the date of your return to China uncertain. The people were delighted with you, as I know you were with them, and the congregation voted strongly to take a share of $250 in your maintenance. We estimated that approximately this amount was still available, so this completes the $1500 for your maintenance. The Schaller church is taking this $250 for the year just closing and for next year, 1944-45. I am sure you will be very happy in this new relationship and the church is much pleased that it could be worked out.

I am still remembering our visits together in January and hope you are having a good winter.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Elliott

RE:NV

CABLE ADDRESS "INCULCATE, NEW YORK"

TELEPHONE WATKINS 9-2000

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY

April 19, 1944

Miss Irene Forsythe
77 W. Washington Street
Chicago 2, Illinois

My dear Miss Forsythe:

The Board of Foreign Missions in its meeting on April 17th authorized the continuance of the Furlough Fellowship of Service for another year. There have been many encouraging expressions on the part of Board members and the Staff as to the Furlough Fellowship of Service. We have been receiving testimonials as to its value from pastors and women leaders all over the church, as well as from missionaries who have been participating in this project. We believe that the increase in the giving of the church to foreign missions this year and the deepening of the spirit of devotion to the world cause of Christ have been made possible primarily by the work of the Furlough Fellowship of Service.

First of all I write to thank you for all you have done in this undertaking. We have not been able to express to you personally as often as we should have liked to how much we appreciate your vision, faith, courage, and consecration in this venture. It is consistent with your high dedication to the far reaching purpose of the mission of the church.

As we prepare our plans for the third year of the Furlough Fellowship of Service, which will begin as of September 1, 1944, I am writing in behalf of the Board to invite you to continue in this service for at least another year. Because of the world situation, we are not able to make our plans longer than one year ahead, but we can promise you support in this until at least September 1, 1945.

This invitation does not mean that if you accept you will be assigned necessarily to the place in which you are now serving. It seems wise to make some adjustments in locations and responsibilities. Any adjustments affecting you, of course, will be made in harmony with your judgment and decision. If you will accept the invitation to participate another year in the Furlough Fellowship of Service then there will be correspondence between the Secretary of the Board office in the Area in which we hope you will serve and yourself. Plans as to just where you are to be located and what your particular tasks will be, will be worked out accordingly.

Let me emphasize here that the general procedure of the Furlough Fellowship of Service will be the same in principle as it has been this past year and the financial arrangements will remain as you have found them.

We hope we shall hear from you in the affirmative. We very much need your service in this connection. We do not know what the future will hold. We press on in faith day by day. Of one thing we are sure: there is a tremendous need for this mission to the church in America in behalf of the world cause of Jesus Christ.

I await your reply. May I hear from you in the near future?

All good wishes and kindest of regards.

Sincerely,

Charles Tudor Leber

CTL:da

NOBLE ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Noble and Kirkwood Roads
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

April 20, 1944.

Miss Irene Forsythe,
77 West Washington Street,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Miss Forsythe:

I am still hearing favorable reports of the impression you made Sunday and the information you imparted. Our women's luncheon was held yesterday and again a number of them spoke of their interest in your address.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter from a chaplain in the Pacific area. This is one of the items we were speaking of. The other to which Mrs. Pocock referred was the speech of a native chief in presenting a chapel which the natives had made for the soldiers. I think it was in the Protestant Voice a few weeks ago. I have looked through back numbers and fail in finding it. I'll still keep you in mind if I should uncover it.

It was thoughtful of you to send the card which came yesterday.

With much appreciation and every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Eugene W. Pocock

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY

April 25, 1944

My dear Miss Forsythe:

Thank you very much for your letter with its interesting account of your work in the central area. You have been working on a very heavy schedule and I sincerely hope that it does not mean that you are not building up added physical strength and a good reserve of health for later service in China. The work that you have been doing is much appreciated. I imagine that by this time you have received definite word from someone in the Home Base Department inviting you to continue in this service for another year.

I think we have a clear understanding in regard to your service in China. You desire to get back to the work in Free China whenever it seems wise and at the same time it is my desire to have you go out to Free China as soon as it seems wise from every angle. From every point of view it seems best for you to continue another year in the furlough fellowship. Some time before the end of this period of service we shall consider thoroughly the question of your return to the work in Free China. Dr. Dodd is then ready to give you a full and complete health clearance. If the travel situation is somewhat improved then we can go forward on the plan for you to join other reenforcements in our work in Hunan until such time as you can get back to Shantung.

In the meantime may I wish you continued happiness and success in this important service in the home church.

Very sincerely yours,

Lloyd S. Ruland

Lloyd S. Ruland,
Secretary for China

Miss Irene Forsythe
645 Ontario Street
Oak Park, Illinois
LSR:BW

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May 2, 1944

Miss Irene Forsythe
Room 1312, 77 West Washington Street
Chicago 2, Illinois

Dear Miss Forsythe;

I believe in passing on expressions of appreciation, and am therefore writing this note to say that we have just received a letter from the Rev. George W. Kiehl in which he says, "Mrs. Kiehl and several women of the church heard Miss Forsythe of China at the Toledo Presbyterial meeting this week. They speak of her presentation as the best they have ever heard on missions."

Congratulations! Keep up the good work.

Sincerely yours,

S. Franklin Mack

SFM:Y

Copy for Miss Forsythe

June 1, 1944

Pastor or Clerk of Session
Calvary Presbyterian Church
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Friend:

In looking over the gifts for last fiscal year, we note that $45.76 was received from your church through the General Council for the support of Miss F. Irene Forsythe. We want the church to have this direct acknowledgment from the Board and to assure you of our appreciation of your contributions.

While there has been correspondence in regard to the Woman's Society taking a part of the maintenance of Miss Forsythe, we do not recall any reference to the church also contributing to her. We can accept the amount sent for 1943-44 but we would appreciate your letting us know whether you are planning to apply any of your Foreign Missions gifts through the Session fund for her during this year of 1944-45. Miss Forsythe's support is very nearly underwritten and we want to know whether any of it should be saved for your church.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

RUTH ELLIOTT

NV

Enterprise. Oregon.
Aug. 31. 1944.

Dear Irene: Through some misunderstanding you were not given the money received from the Tea.

I am enclosing a check for $20.00 which you so richly deserve and we are so happy to send on to you. which is to be used for your personal needs.

We do wish you the very best that life can bring and our prayers are always with you in your work.

Trusting that this will reach you safely. I remain as ever,

Sincerely.

Maude Litch Oltman

Sept. 15, 1944

Dearest Aunt Irene:

Thank you so much for your letter of Sept. 15; and we're so glad to hear from you. We have been busy as usual if not more so.

Better tell you a few things about my trip East. Joyce & I left Iowa City on 21st of August for Wheaton. We had a nice time with the Lanes. On August 25th I left for N.Y. & Joyce remained with the Lanes. Arrived in New York the

following day morning. There
were two places I was anxious
to see because their name
had been heard so often:
one was Radio City, one
was the Statue of Liberty.
I only visited Radio City
but not the Statue of
Liberty as now no body
is allowed to get near by, because of the war
so I didn't even try. That
night (26th) slept in the
International House. By the
way that International House
is not half as good as the
one in Chicago. I took
another train on 27th for

New Haven, and got there 1½ hrs
after. As soon as I arrives
there I was asked to attend
the adviesary board meeting
of C. S. C. A. to discuss the
changing of the Constitution &
the ~~future C. S. C. A~~ policy of
C. S. C. A. as a whole. That
dreagery meting lastes till
the ~~following night~~ next day 10:30 P.M.
1st
All that's two day that I
was there, didn't get to know
any body. At the meting I
was asked to take charge of
the "Street Drive" to collect
money for China Relief. First
thing I did was ~~asken~~ to ask
Mr. Lin Liang Mo to take charge
~~direct~~
the singing thought a loud

speaker during the drive.
Next thing was to organize
the whole delegates (about 100
people into eight groups &
choosed a leader for each.
I had a hard time to get
everybody out, but everybody
didn come out include Dr.
Shih Meng, director of China
Institute. finally / Before the Drive
I had to get permission
from the Police-Dept., etc.
and there were so many other
details. I gave them little
pep-talk in order to keep
up the moral. I hoped
hard. The result for that
Short Drive was excellent.
within 55 minutes, we collected

about $1000.[5] This sum plus the sum that given by the delegat made a total of $1269.56. "It was the most sucessful Stud Drive in the whole C. S. C. A. history" as the president of C. S. C. A. put it. I was congratulated whereever I went. Of course I had to say "you folks actually did the excellent work etc. During this conferenc I made so many new friends. Too much for that.

Got back on Tuesday 2 A.M. I gave up my Iowa geological Survey job. Now am taking up another job as graduate assistant. I have to work from 20-24 hrs a week. They pay me $60 a month

plus tuition & the fees. I was very glad that they paid me $60 to start. Joyce started out with only $50 last year. This year she also gets $60 a month. Please don't send us any more money because the Lord has provided more than enough.

Lin-Yutang gave a realistic report to the delegates about the Chinese affairs in China. He said he wept when saw wave after wave Chinese youth died in defending of Changsha. He said they simply didn't have anything to fight with. Regardless of all the disavantages that China has to face, I am very sure she is going to hang on especially victory is almost within her reach. Better stop here.

Love
Paul & Joyce

Pendleton, Oregon.
Sept. 28-1944.

Dear Irene:

Your nice letter written on the train was much appreciated. Now a second one telling me of your letters and speaking schedule for the groups. These came to-day andI will get them out this week if possible.

I have the devotional for W.C.T.U. district convention here to-morrow an all day meeting. Had the same thing on the program for our missionary yest rday beside being one of the hostesses. My job was to make the coffee, so you see they keep me busy even at home.

We had another missionary from China Sunday. I wish you could have had as good attendance at S.S. It was our Rally Day and we sent out cards, 35 from our Junior dept. Do you know Rev. Lautenschlager? He was good, but could not compare with you, especially in talking to children.

I have been trying to think of some one who could make a poster. Will send out the appeal. In all our groups there should be some one with that gift.
Your itinerary of speaking engagements looks staggering to me. You will surely need special strength and the power of many prayers to carry you through such a strenous schedule. You can count on mine each day.

I will be in Portland Oct. 5&6 for Synodical Executive. The next week plan to visit Boardman. They now have the Chinese Banner hanging on the church wall. Mrs Hilts has conflicting engagements so I am going by bus. Hope to make Ukiah and Umapine when she can come as no bus service there.

Your coming to us was such a joy and inspiration. Greater interest in the need for greater accomplishments in prayer and giving will surely follow. May God richly bless and sustain you in your work in the Central district.

Lovingly your friend,

Edith P. Bowser.

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November 15. 1944

Dear Miss Forsythe –

You said you liked to get letters, so thought I'd write you a wee one, and let you know some of the comments about your talk last Sunday. All are agreed that it was the best and most convincing missionary talk they ever heard – and they seemed to like the whole service.

One of the members of a little

club to which I belong and which met last night, quoted part of your talk - where you said men had an instinct to worship something or body & - then she looked at me and said "That was the best missionary talk I ever heard" - it pleased me, as she is not particularly missionary minded.

Some of the men, so I heard, regretted that you and I did not stand out in the lobby and shake hands - but I dont think that was necessary - anyhow we dont have to ape the men all the time!

About the "ten spot" - it was meant for you - and think that is "according to Hoyle" since you are a Foreign Missionary. If there is any question about it, let me know.

You may be interested to know that one of our Church women working as janitor in the New York Central RR offices here sent a contribution of $20.00 which put some of the rest of us to

shame. She says she is making good money and never before has been in a position to make a contribution. To date our collection is $136.00 exceeding last year's by $56.00 so far. (Later - $137.00)

I hope you didnt get dizzy traveling back and forth in our vicinity - should think you'd want to stay in bed 24 hours to catch up.

No more mail came here for you.

It was grand to have you here - Oh yes a deaf man in the audience couldnt hear a word but he enjoyed watching your hands - they are beautiful.

Best wishes - Bertha Rita

121 EAST HIGH STREET
MOUNT VERNON, OHIO

December 2 - 1944

Dear Miss Forsythe,

I am glad to know that you have completed your course in Marion Praktikary and like to tell the tale. I know it has brought renewed inspiration to those who heard you, for we are still feeling the uplift which you brought to us and quoting things which you said. I shall be delighted

to hand you latter to Florence Patterson's sister Alice. I expect to see her at church tomorrow.

It was a joy to meet you and to have you under our roof, and I pray God's richest blessings on you and your work.

Sincerely yours

Anna L. Gram.

First Presbyterian Church

B. B. CARTWRIGHT, JR., MINISTER

316 EAST THIRD STREET

DIXON, ILLINOIS

December 6, 1944

Dear Miss Forsythe:

We were very glad to receive your kind and appreistive letter. Your visit in our church was a stimulant to the cause of Jesus Christ in World Missions. It was the picture as many of us were waiting - void of prejudice and propoganda. Have you read Bishop Kaeji article in the Christian Century? It is fine, and confirms your position in a very interesting way.

Again may I thank you for your coming, your inspirational messages, and your prayers. May God bless you in your work.

With prayerful & grateful thanks,

B. B. Cartwright Jr.